

ORDINANCE NO. 142.

An ordinance granting certain privileges to W. G. Branson, W. E. Culver and A. P. Sickman, their successors and assigns, in the town of Las Animas, State of Colorado.

Be it enacted by the Board of Trustees of the Town of Las Animas, Bent county and State of Colorado.

SECTION I. In consideration of the benefits that will accrue to the town of Las Animas and its inhabitants from erection, maintenance and operation of an electric lighting, heating and power plant in said town, the right is hereby granted to W. G. Branson, W. E. Culver of Las Animas and A. P. Sickman of Denver, Colorado, and their successors and assigns to construct and operate in said town an electric plant, for the purpose of furnishing light, heat and power, and to erect and maintain on the streets, alleys and public grounds of said town, poles, wires, transformers, lamps and other necessary apparatus for the distribution of electric current for and during the term of Twenty years.

SECTION II. The said plant shall be erected within the corporate limits of said town.

SECTION III. The said grantees shall commence the construction of said plant within twelve months from passage of this ordinance, and if said plant is not completed and in operation within twelve months from the commencement of the construction of said plant, this franchise to be forfeited.

SECTION IV. The grantees shall prior to the beginning of the work in the streets of said town, make and execute a good and sufficient bond in the sum of Five Thousand (\$5,000.00) Dollars to indemnify said town for any loss or damage that may result from any negligence or carelessness in the construction, maintenance and operation of said electric plant.

SECTION V. In consideration for the benefits that will accrue to its inhabitants the town of Las Animas, agrees to rent five or more arc lights of the capacity of five hundred and fifty watts per hour for the period of one year and to pay said grantees for each arc lamp, the sum of ten dollars (\$10.00) per month; said lamps to be operated from early twilight until twelve o'clock midnight, for six months, after that until dawn, except bright moonlight nights.

SECTION VI. The said town reserves the right to regulate the rates to be collected for electric current furnished consumers, provided said town shall not enforce lower rates than the average rates collected in towns of equal population in the State of Colorado, operating under similar conditions and based on the flat and meter system.

SECTION VII. The said grantees shall within sixty (60) days after the passage of this ordinance, file with the Mayor of said town, their written acceptance of its terms and conditions.

SECTION VIII. This ordinance shall be in force and effect five days after its passage and publication and acceptance as herein stipulated.

Approved this 21st day of January A. D. 1901. Ayes: Kramer, Morris, Murray, and Gardiner.

GEO. D. DULIN, Mayor.

Attest.



E. R. BOOMER,

Clerk and Recorder.